

CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

MAY 05, 2010

In attendance at the meeting: *Commission Members: John P. Chiota, Esq., Chairman; William S. Holden, Vice Chairman; Gail J. Hanna, Secretary; Russell Friedson, Daniel F. Schopick, Esq., and Paul Timpanelli*

Meeting Called to Order: 7:35 P.M.

Motion to amend March 24, 2010 Minutes by John P. Chiota, Esq., seconded by Gail J. Hanna.

Motion to accept April 22, 2010 Minutes by John P. Chiota, Esq., seconded by Daniel F. Schopick, Esq.

The commission members discussed any changes to the Charter starting with Chapter I and continued through Chapter III, Section 10. The commission members focused on the following concepts:

Chapter I.

Idea #1 - Organization of Town Government – Amend
per example from John P. Chiota, Esq.

Chapter II.

- Idea #2 - Number of districts within the Town.
- Idea #3 - Proportionate number of representatives.
- Idea #4 - Allow voters to vote for all of the candidates.
- Idea #5 - Definition of days pertaining to meeting notices.
- Idea #6 - Any elected position (not just for the First Selectman) .

Chapter III.

- Idea #7 - Term of office (change from 2 years to 4 years).
- Idea #8 - Uniform powers and duties.
- Idea #9 - Powers of the First Selectman.
- Idea #10 - Line of Succession: for “emergency” situation only - (3 or 4) in order of the Town Treasurer, the Town Clerk, and the Town Council Chairman.
- Idea #11 - Percentage of voters and amount of time allowed for a petition.
- Idea #12 - All paid appointments including the First Selectman uniform with the Director of Finance.
- Idea #13 - Town Attorney/Firm Attorney.

The commission will continue with **Section 11. – Dog Warden** - at the next meeting on June 2, 2010.

Meeting Adjourned 9:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:

Marilou Mangiamele